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REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 02/25/04, applicant hereby elects Species 2, Fig. 8. Claims 1-5 are readable thereon.

However, applicant respectfully traverses the election requirement. The Action states that the application contains the six patentably distinct species of the claimed invention: species 1-6: Figs. 1 and 8-12, respectively. However, as described in the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 1, Figs. 8 and 9 show that the first and second control portions 81 and 82 are provided in the bottom wall 54 of the housing body 42, respectively. Applicant believes that Figs. 8 and 9 do not show patentably different species. Also, as described in the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 4, Figs. 10-12 show that the modular jack 41 is mounted on the board via the bottom wall 54, rear wall 56, and top wall 74 of the housing body 42, respectively. Applicant believes that Figs. 10-12 do not show patentably different species.

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